



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION February 8, 2012

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on February 8, 2012, within the Tempe Public Library Conference Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Nancy Goren, Chair
Shirlee King, Vice Chair
Susan Bendix
Patrick Fanning
Hilary Harp
Dave Kephart
Hotchy Kiene
Nikie Crawford
Kiyomi Kurooka
Robert Moore
Kelly Nelson
Celeste Plumlee
Janis Webb
Frank Williams

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator - Grants; Public Art/Art in Private Development
Rachael Peterson, Administrative Assistant - Library and Cultural Services Division

Guest(s) Present:

Megumi Ichikawa, Student - Arizona State University
Ashley Provenzano, Student - Arizona State University

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Shiela Schmidt

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Nancy Goren, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the January 10, 2012, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Minutes Document

- Nancy Goren, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Chair, asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved minutes document** dated **January 10, 2012**.
- **MOTION:** Frank Williams moved to approve the January 10, 2012, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Minutes Document as presented.
SECOND: Hilary Harp seconded.

DECISION: January 10, 2012, TMAC Minutes Document approved as presented.

Agenda Item 3 - Cultural Facilities Manager's Report

- In the absence of Don Fassinger, City of Tempe Cultural Facilities Manager, Maja Aurora, City of Tempe Grants and Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Program Coordinator, encouraged the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members to view the **February, 2012, special event and program list** (director's report) included within their regular meeting packet.
- M. Aurora reported that the Gallery at Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) is playing host to an exhibition titled, "**Arizona Centennial Celebration: Arizona Landscapes at TCA Gallery**," from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., February 11, 2012, through July 28, 2012.
- M. Aurora encouraged the TMAC members to view the following website for additional information related to programming and events at the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA): **www.tempe.gov/tca**.
- M. Aurora further suggested that the TMAC members contact Rachael Peterson if they'd like additional information or web links related to upcoming art events and related cultural programming via email message at **Rachael_Peterson@tempe.gov**.

Agenda Item 4 - Chairperson's Report

- Nancy Goren, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Chair, reported that Tempe Mayor Hugh Hallman recently appointed the following people to serve as members of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC):
 - **Kiyomi Kurooka;**
 - **Kelly Nelson;**
 - **Shiela Schmidt.**
- N. Goren introduced new members K. Kurooka and K. Nelson, and further welcomed both members to the TMAC meeting.
- N. Goren reminded the TMAC members that since the groundbreaking for the construction of the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) in March, 2004, the focus of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) has changed to include **communications**, as well as **advocacy** for the City of Tempe's **Art Grants, Public Art** and **Art in Private Development** programs.
- N. Goren reported that the existing **Strategic Plan of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission** (Strategic Plan) is outdated; N. Goren encouraged the TMAC members to view the Strategic Plan included within their regular meeting packet. Goren asked the TMAC members to review the Strategic Plan, and said that it's one of her goals as TMAC Chair to update the existing plan.

Agenda Item 5A - Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Report

- Maja Aurora, City of Tempe Art Grants and Public Art/Art in Private Development Program Coordinator, reported that she forwarded a **Tempe Public Library Cards and Mill Avenue Utility Boxes Public Art Project** update to the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members via email message. Aurora explained that she will display the new artist-designed Tempe Public Library Cards at the TMAC meeting scheduled to occur at 6 p.m. on March 14 within the Tempe Public Library Conference Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe. Aurora reminded the TMAC members that the six

(6) paintings depicted on the Tempe Public Library (Library) Cards are currently on display within the Library Community Gallery through May 23, 2012.

- M. Aurora reported that the City of Tempe (City) plays host to multiple bicycle events per year; M. Aurora affirmed that the City is playing host to the following events in 2012:
 - **Bike to Work Day (6:30 a.m., April 20, 2012);**
 - **Tour de Tempe Bike Ride (7:30 a.m., October 23, 2012).**
- M. Aurora explained that artist-designed t-shirts are distributed to Bike to Work Day and Tour de Tempe Bike Ride participants; Nancy Goren, TMAC Chair, displayed t-shirts from prior events. Aurora further explained that it's engrained within the culture of both events to ask artists to design images to be displayed on the event t-shirts.
- M. Aurora stated that it's the City's intent to partner with the Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Program to generate funds to use as stipends to pay local artists for their t-shirt designs. Aurora noted that the artists who participated in the **Mill Avenue District Utility Boxes and Tempe Public Library Cards Public Artwork Opportunity** (Public Artwork Opportunity) are being invited to submit bike imagery; M. Aurora explained that the artists who are chosen to fulfill the t-shirt projects will have been selected via the Tempe Public Art panel process, and will be paid \$1000 (stipend) for their artwork.
- Hilary Harp inquired about the budget for the Tour de Tempe and Bike to Work Day t-shirt projects; M. Aurora explained that the project budgets total \$4000.
- M. Aurora encouraged the TMAC members to contact her with questions related to the Tour de Tempe and Bike to Work Day projects via email message at **Maja_Aurora@tempe.gov**.
- **MOTION:** Dave Kephart moved to approve the Tour de Tempe and Bike to Work Day t-shirt project, corresponding budget and imagery as presented.
- **SECOND:** Janis Webb seconded.
- **DECISION:** Tour de Tempe and Bike to Work Day t-shirt public artwork project, corresponding budget and imagery approved as presented.

Agenda Item 5B - Grants Report

- Maja Aurora, City of Tempe Arts Coordinator, encouraged the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members to contact her via email message at **Maja_Aurora@tempe.gov** if they'd like to audit an art grant recipient event and/or program. Aurora added that she intends to compile a list of art grant recipient e-newsletters to distribute to the TMAC members as an additional communication tool.
- Nancy Goren, TMAC Chair, further encouraged the TMAC members to audit City of Tempe Art Grant Recipient programming and events.

Agenda Item 6 - Friends of Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) Report

- No report.

Agenda Item 7 - Commission Members' Announcements

- Nikie Crawford inquired about the status of the **Tempe Public Library Public Artwork (Library Public Artwork Project) element**; Maja Aurora, City of Tempe Art Grants and Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Program Coordinator, reported that the Library Public Artwork Project has been placed on an indefinite hold.

Agenda Item 8 - Future Agenda Items

- David Kephart asked that the **definition of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) work processes** specific to the Art Grants, Public Art/Art in Private Development and Communication/Advocacy programs be placed on a future TMAC meeting agenda for discussion.

Agenda Item 9 - Public Appearances

- Megumi Ichikawa and Ashley Provenzano, Arizona State University (ASU) students, introduced themselves and stated that they attended the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission meeting as a means to observe and learn more about the public meeting process.

Agenda Item 10 - Adjournment

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting is scheduled to take place at 6 p.m. on March 14, 2012, within the Tempe Public Library Conference Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, 85282.
- **Meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.**

Prepared By: Rachael Peterson

Reviewed By: Don Fassinger

Nancy Goren
Chair, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission